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BRITISH COMMONWEALTH NAVAL FORCES

DISPOSITION AND STATUS OF 1 SEPTEMBER, 1948.

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IMPORTANT NOTE

All units which are currently listed for scrap or other disposal have been removed from the following tables since no future combat use is contemplated for these units. In addition, certain other units which have been practically demilitarized or whose combat value is obviously nil - such as many of those units which have been assigned to ship target trials - have been deleted.

ABBREVIATIONS

BB - Battleships	CL - Light Cruiser (6 in.)
CV - Fleet Carrier	DD - Destroyer
CVL - Light Fleet Carrier	PF - Frigate (escorts of all types)
CA - Heavy Cruiser (8 in.)	SS - Submarines

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FC - Full peacetime complement.

SC - Special complement - varies. May be as low as 2/5 of Full Complement, as in case of training battleships or nearly equal to full complement, as in case of destroyers and escorts. Special complement ships are ordinarily engaged in specialized assignments.

NO - Non-operational for reasons of refit, repair, etc.

RES - Ships in the various RESERVE categories.

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1 September 1948

ROYAL NAVY:

	<u>D</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>HOME WATERS</u>	
	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
BB	1	3 <sup>A</sup>	1	0	5
CV	0	2	1	3	6
CVL	2	2	0	0	4
CA	0	0	2	0	2
CL	4	2	1	10	17
DD	19	10	4	59	92
PF	15	2	4	123	144
SS	25 <sup>A</sup>	0	14	16	55

A. Includes VANGUARD preparing for Royal Tour.

MEDITERRANEAN

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CVL	2 <sup>B</sup>	0	0	0	2
CL	3	0	1	0	4
DD	11	0	2	1	14
PF	10	0	0	0	10
SS	7 <sup>C</sup>	0	1	0	8

B. Includes HMS OCEAN (CVL) ETD 3 Sept. 1948 for Mediterranean.

C. Includes 2 units enroute to U.K. from Pacific.

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SOUTH ATLANTIC

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CL	1	0	0	0	1
DD	0	0	0	4	4
PF	2	0	0	0	2

AMERICA AND WEST INDIES

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CL	1	0	0	0	1
DD	2 <sup>D</sup>	0	0	0	2
PF	2	0	1	0	3

D. Units temporarily assigned to A & WI. Will return to U.K. 6 September 1948.

EAST INDIES

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CA	0	0	1	0	1
CL	1	0	0	0	1
PF	3	0	1	0	4

PACIFIC

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CA	2	0	0	0	2
DD	5	0	0	0	5
PF	5	0	0	1	6
SS	0	0	1	0	1

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DOMINION NAVIES

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CA	1	0	1	0	2
CL	0	0	1	0	1
DD	5	0	3	0	8
PF	8	0	7	0	15

ROYAL NEW ZEALAND NAVY

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CL	1	0	0	1	2
PF	4	0	0	2	6

ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CVL	1	0	0	0	1
CL	1	0	0	1	2
DD	5	0	0	6	11
PF	2	1	0	3	6

ROYAL INDIAN NAVY

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CL	1	0	0	0	1
PF	3	0	3	1	7

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ROYAL PAKISTAN NAVY

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
PF	3	1	0	0	4

SOUTH AFRICAN NAVAL FORCES

	<u>FC</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>RES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
PF	4	0	0	0	4

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DOMINION NAVIES - SUMMARY

	<u>CVL</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CL</u>	<u>DD</u>	<u>PF</u>
RAN	--	2	1	8	15
RNZN	--	--	2	--	6
RCN	1	--	2	11	6
RIN	--	--	1	--	7
RPN	--	--	--	--	4
S. AFR.	--	--	--	--	4
TOTAL	1	2	6	19	42

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH NAVAL FORCES - SUMMARY

	<u>BB</u>	<u>CV</u>	<u>CVL</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CL</u>	<u>DD</u>	<u>PF</u>	<u>SS</u>
Royal Navy	5	6	6	5	24	117	169	64
Domi-nions	0	0	1	2	6	19	42	0
TOTAL	5	6	7	7	30	136	211	64